108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 288

Commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

January 21, 2004

Mr. Breaux (for himself and Ms. Landrieu) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game.

Whereas the Louisiana State University Tigers football team won the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game, defeating Oklahoma University by a score of 21 to 14 in the Nokia Sugar Bowl at the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana on January 4, 2004;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won the Southeastern Conference Championship, defeating the University of Georgia by a score of 34 to 13 in the Southeastern Conference championship game at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, Georgia on December 6, 2003;

- Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won 13 games during the 2003 season, more games than in any other season in school history;
- Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won 5 games against nationally ranked opponents;
- Whereas the Louisiana State University football team set 8 school records;
- Whereas the Louisiana State University football team led the Nation in total defense, allowing only 252 yards per game, and scoring defense, allowing only 1 team to score more than 20 points in any game during the season;
- Whereas Louisiana State University football head coach Nick Saban was named the National Coach of the Year by the Associated Press and the Football Writers Association of America;
- Whereas 4 players—Chad Lavalais, Corey Webster, Skyler Green, and Stephen Peterman—were named first-team All-Americans;
- Whereas offensive tackle Rodney Reed was named a National Scholar-Athlete by the National Football Foundation and was named first-team Academic All-American;
- Whereas quarterback Matt Mauck threw 28 touchdown passes during the 2003 season, a Louisiana State University single season record, and was named second-team Academic All-American; and
- Whereas running back Justin Vincent was named most valuable player of the Southeastern Conference championship game and the Nokia Sugar Bowl: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- (1) commends the Louisiana State University
 Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl
 Championship Series national championship game;
 - (2) recognizes the achievements of all the players, coaches, and support staff who were instrumental in helping Louisiana State University during the 2003 season; and
- (3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to Louisiana State University for appropriate display and to transmit an enrolled copy of the resolution to each coach and member of the 2003 Louisiana State University football team.

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